ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

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The Town of Laconia,

—COMPRISING THOSE OF THE—

TREASURER, SELECTMEN, OVERSEER OF THE POOR, SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ETC.,

—FOR THE—

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Valuation and Appropriations.

Polls, (1,022)	$102,200 00	
Buildings and Land,	1,030,558 00	
Factories and Machinery,	116,070 00	
Horses, (362)	23,758 00	
Asses, (1)	10 00	
Oxen, (126)	6,006 00	
Cows, (342)	8,198 00	
Other neat stock, over 18 mos. old, (131)	2,280 00	
Sheep, over 6 mos. old, (204)	688 00	
Hogs, 2 and under exempt, (32)	288 00	
Carriages, (98)	6,966 00	
Stock in public funds,	15,974 00	
Stock in banks and other corporations,	81,300 00	
Money on hand, at interest and on deposit,	61,698 00	
Stock in trade,	140,368 00	
Steamboats,	2,500 00	
		$1,598,862 00

Scholars—Boys, 318
Girls, 297
Dogs, 198

Appropriations.

State tax.	$3,944 00	
County tax,	5,928 33	
School tax by law,	3,451 00	
Firemen,	1,240 00	
Decorating soldiers' graves,	100 00	
Support of poor,	400 00	
Library,	500 00	
Current expenses,	2,000 00	
" " precinct,	700 00	
Highways,	2,500 00	
Hose,	700 00	
Gilford debt,	3,300 00	
		$24,763 33

State, County, town and school tax,	$12 50	per thousand
Highway,	1 65	" "
Gilford debt,	5 35	" "

Treasurer's Report.

For the Year Ending March 1st, 1882.

Orran W. Tibbetts, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Laconia.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, March 1, 1881,	$2,226 29
Cash from S. C. Robinson, Collector list of 1880,	1,544 14
" John H. Robinson, Collector list of 1880,	65 80
" F. W. Reeves, " " 1881,	22,150 00
" John W. Robinson, " " "	2,302 00
" Insurance tax,	16 88
" Railroad tax,	1,875 35
" Savings bank tax,	4,142 53
" Literary fund,	206 40
" J. W. Ashman, billiard license,	76 00
" James Boyd & Sons, old hose,	45 00
" D. B. Story, award land damage to Cintha W. Wilcomb, at Weirs,	31 50
" D. B. Story, award land damage to Elizabeth Nichols, at Weirs,	12 50
" P. C. Smith, licenses,	27 00
" " " labor for J. L. Dixon,	63
" " " tile pipe for J. C. Moulton,	107 91
" " " " C. A. Busiel,	2 27
" " " " Mrs. J. W. Busiel,	36 30
" " " " C. B. S. Watson,	7 26
" " " " Jos. O'Brien,	1 88
" " " drag plank by B., C. & M. R.,	5 50
" " " S. C. Thomas, labor on canal, 1880,	47 00
	$34,930 14

EXPENDITURES.

Paid county tax for 1881,	$5,928 33	
Library " "	500 00	
State " "	3,944 00	
Decorating soldiers' graves,	100 00	
James Boyd & Sons, 1,000 feet hose, appropriation,	700 00	
School Orders.		
Paid district No. 1,	$3,260 34	
" " 3,	209 76	
" " 4,	152 65	
" " 5,	120 30	
		$3,743 05
Interest Paid on Notes.		
Wm. F. Clifford,	$13 00	
Nath'l Edwards,	40 00	
Harriet K. Tebbetts,	15 00	
T. F. Page,	8 00	
Mary W. Young,	16 00	
		$92 00
Balance of the Gilford Debt Notes due from Dis. No. 4, paid in full.		
Mary E. Maloon, notes and interest,	$157 14	
James M. & H. G. K. Burleigh, notes and interest,	516 82	
Polly Taylor, notes and interest,	625 34	
M. Emma Sanborn, notes and interest,	728 23	
Horace Whicher, " "	646 95	
Abbie M. Smith, " "	165 85	
		$2,840 33
Amount appropriated for the payment of the Gilford debt,		$3,300 00
Amount due Town of Laconia, as per last year's report, paid,	$403 17	
Notes and interest paid as above, which is in full,	$2,840 33	
		$3,243 50
Amount in the hands of the treasurer of the Town,		$56 50

Breaking Roads.

	Spring, 1881.	Winter, 1881–82, to Feb. 20.	
District No. 1,	$71 32,	$303 12	
" " 7,	23 55,		
" " 8,	47 76,	80 37	
" " 9,	28 48,	43 95	
" " 10,	22 95,	68 38	
" " 11,	16 92,	57 70	
" " 12,	24 84,	108 94	
" " 13,	11 70,	31 20	
" " 14,	22 05,	45 45	
" " 15,	4 35,	16 35	
" " 16,	15 28,	40 70	
	$289 20	$796 16	
			$1,085 36

Roads and Bridges.

G. Cook, lumber for Dis. No. 1,	$13 47	
S. W. Sanders, drain pipe,	418 77	
E. A. & A. T. Smith, tar and barrels,	35 00	
A. C. Leavitt, agt., freight on tar,	42 94	
" " " " "	29 80	
Gardner Cook, lumber,	22 42	
L. C. Cawley, labor on highway to C. True's house,	13 00	
J. A. Dodge, building new highway at Weirs,	302 00	
A. C. Leavitt, agt., freight on tar,	22 40	
A. V. Smith, sewer grates,	18 32	
Gardner Cook, lumber Church St. bridge,	132 56	
Wm. Lawrence, blasting powder,	12 00	
J. G. Webster, labor and board of men straightening road in Dis. No. 7,	20 20	
	$1,082 88	
P. C. Smith, surveyor Dist. No. 1, (see his report)		$2,670 77
J. Frank Crockett, " " 7,		52 15
Seth Flanders, " " 8,		147 14
S. J. P. Hadley, " " 9,		27 40
Jos. P. Pitman, 2nd, " " 10,		17 40

John H. Robinson,	Dist. No. 11,	$62 35
Harry M. Sargent,	" " 12,	29 57
John M. Robinson,	" " 13,	12 60
John Garland,	" " 14,	27 90
Chas. D. Brown,	" " 15,	24 03
B. S. George,	" " 16,	64 00
		$3,135 31

Paid for Precinct Current Expenses.

Chas. S. Stanwood, labor,	$11 90
C. H. Watson cash paid out,	15 75
Truland Bros., printing,	2 50
Geo. H. Wight, labor,	3 46
James Judkins, labor,	13 80
T. F. Ford, labor,	9 88
S. E. Young & Co., supplies,	4 00
Earnest Rowe, labor,	2 50
A. L. Morrison, drawing H. & L. truck,	2 00
Chas. S. Stanwood, labor,	5 50
O. L. Andrews, labor on F. A. and care of batteries 3 mos.,	15 20
Gardner Cook, ladder,	5 00
Manchester Locomotive Works, labor and material repairing steamer,	153 18
White Manufacturing Co., repairing signal and express,	7 60
R. H. Carter, cash paid for express,	4 30
A. C. Leavitt, agent, freight on hose,	2 25
Wm. Haynes, use of car shop horses,	4 00
A. L. Davis, labor,	56 05
Gardner Cook, lumber, etc.,	36 83
Chas. Williams, Jr., supplies,	37 31
Truland Bros., printing precinct reports,	17 00
H. H. Stone, labor,	29 90
E. J. Dinsmore, five rubber coats, straps, etc.,	24 70
James Boyd & Sons, repairing hose,	4 90
John F. Merrill, plaster thimble,	2 00
C. S. Stanwood, labor,	8 00
Kirk Knowlton, labor and stock painting,	13 80

W. S. Thomas, material and labor,	$5 78
A. C. Leavitt, wood and coal,	48 17
R. H. Carter, engineer of steamer and cash paid out,	28 43
O. L. Andrews, care of fire alarm and labor,	29 70
Geo. E. Chase, service on fire alarm,	15 00
Jesse Merrill, Jr., cash paid out,	1 50
S. H. Lawrence, salt,	2 80
F. B. Busiel, labor,	40 60
Jos. Tatroe, digging up water pipe,	1 00
C. W. Winn, labor,	50
E. C. Covell and R. H. Carter care of town clock 1 year,	50 00
Gardner Cook, lumber,	6 20
Chas. Conner, labor,	2 00
J. E. Everett, supplies,	3 00
A. W. Wilcox, labor,	1 00
James Boyd & Sons, repairs on hose,	6 88
W. H. Abel & Co., supplies and labor,	16 38
J. S. Howe, bill, from March 19, 1878, to July 18, 1881,	20 00
W. D. Huse, fire alarm labor,	83
F. A. Durrell, labor,	1 80
Chas. Conner, labor,	6 80
A. C. Leavitt, agt., freight on steamer,	16 00
S. W. Sanders, supplies,	22 78
F. A. Durrell, labor,	2 25
	$821 71

Paid Firemen.

Hook & Ladder Co., town pay to Jan. 31, 1882,	$400 00
Hook & Ladder Co., state pay to Nov. 1, 1881,	60 00
Reliance Hose Co., balance of town pay to Nov. 1, 1881,	233 34
Reliance Hose Co., balance of state pay to Nov. 1, 1881,	35 00
Steamer Co., town pay to Jan. 1, 1882,	300 00
" " state " " "	45 00

Torrent Engine Co., state pay to Nov. 1, 1881,	$90 00	
		$1.163 34
W. T. Flanders, Hose Co., 8 mos. service,	$15 33	
Geo. A. Olmsted, " " 9 " "	17 25	
O. W. Olmsted. " " 9 " "	17 25	
A. H. Streeter, " " 9 " "	17 25	
Chas. Conner, " " 5 " "	9 58	
		$76 66
		$1,240 00

Current Expenses.

A. S. Ladd, hay,	$11 45
F. A. Durrell, lighting street lamps,	15 00
Curtis Gates, grain,	3 90
H. E. Mace, M. D., return of births and deaths,	6 25
E. G. Wilson, " " " "	1 75
A. Lindsay, " " " "	2 00
N. L. True, " " " "	11 75
D. B. Nelson, " " " "	1 00
T. S. Foster, " " " "	1 75
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas street lights,	44 64
Frank A. Childs, damage by dogs,	5 00
George Sleeper, land damage and costs case Sleeper vs. Town,	537 28
John S. Weeks, water trough, 1879–80,	6 00
O. W. Tibbetts, county treasurer, expenses commissioners in road case of A. G. Young and others,	98 60
P. C. Smith, cash paid lighting street lights,	15 00
Jos. Tatro, lighting street lights,	15 00
John H. Robinson, hay,	28 48
Truland Bros., printing,	6 50
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas,	62 62
M. H. Fernald, board D. B. Story,	10 00
D. B. Story, to pay land damage at Weirs,	186 13
Elizabeth H. Avery, award land damage in 1875,	200 00
J. L. Meserve, blacksmith work,	17 20
Jos. Tatro, lighting street lamps,	15 00
E. F. Wiggin, grain,	19 50

W. S. Thomas, labor,	$ 4 45
Lewis & Sanborn, printing reports, etc.,	85 72
P. C. Smith, land damage, Mrs. Lovell, Mrs. Avery, and others,	425 00
P. C. Smith, land damage for highway, Jewett's field,	50 95
Augustus Doe, additional land damage,	17 75
S. W. Sanders, water trough,	128 25
Jos. Tatro, lighting street lamps 2 months,	30 00
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas street lights,	86 38
F. J. Smith, blacksmithing,	10 60
J. L. Meserve, iron and blacksmithing,	43 72
Lois J. Davis, extra land damage on Winter St. so called,	5 00
Laconia Grist Mill Co., grain,	36 00
E. J. Dinsmore, repairing harnesses,	8 45
Truland Brothers, printing,	4 25
D. B. Story, land damage Winn. Camp Ground and A. Doe,	51 00
John J. Tower, police caps,	8 05
A. C. Leavitt, agt., freight on stone watering trough, etc.,	50 91
G. S. Rollins, repairs on plow,	2 25
Jos. Tatroe, lighting St. lights,	15 00
J. Gilbert, hay,	20 87
Mrs. E. S. Morrison, school books for G. D. Hilliard's children,	2 20
Geo. H. Edwards, lighting St. lights,	15 00
S. D. Glidden & Co., blacksmith work,	13 19
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas for St. light,	99 26
O. L. Andrews, street signs,	12 00
J. F. Merrill, base to water trough,	10 69
Geo. H. Edwards, lighting St. lights,	15 00
Asa Fowler, legal consultation, 1879,	5 00
C. H. Lamprey, ice in drinking fountain,	5 00
A. L. Morrison, horse hire,	10 00
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas for streets,	61 44
W. D. Huse, labor on watering trough,	22 80
Blaisdell & Ewell, board of D. B. Story,	8 98
Geo. H. Edwards, lighting St. lights,	17 50

Laconia Gas Light Co., gas for St. lights,	$66 40
J. L. Meserve, repairing tools,	5 00
S. D. Glidden & Co., blacksmithing,	6 60
L. M. Pike, hay,	33 75
Kirk Knowlton, stock and labor on water,	1 22
S. W. Sanders, trough supplies,	28 28
J. T. Weeks, stone post,	2 00
J. S. Howe, horse hire and keeping,	3 00
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas for engine house,	15 00
Laconia Grist Mill Co., grain,	38 58
N. L. True, vaccination, etc.,	5 00
Geo. H. Edwards, lighting St. lights,	17 50
A. C. Leavitt & Son, coal and hay,	27 13
S. B. Smith, land damage, street across Tucker lot,	904 50
J. R. Champlin, lamp posts and repairing St. lanterns,	81 30
E. J. Dinsmore, repairs, etc.,	3 25
Mrs. N. Johnson, Jr., stationery, etc.,	6 97
Ladd & Keasor, oil and chimneys for St. lights,	44 41
J. P. Pitman & Co., supplies,	18 26
Belknap Svs. Bank, rent of selectmen's room,	60 00
L. S. Perley, surveying,	13 00
L. G. Morgan, water trough, 2 years,	6 00
S. S. Jewett, rent police court room,	45 00
Jewell & Stone, legal services for town,	50 00
H. J. Crooker, blacksmithing,	3 00
J. G. Jewett, witness fees on Sleeper road case, etc.,	11 99
M. R. Marshall, pumping water to stable and trough,	16 67
Truland Brothers, printing,	1 25
E. B. Harrington, wood for lobby,	3 25
Wiggin & Co., supplies,	32 74
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas for streets, pipe, etc.,	117 37
J. F. Sanborn, blacksmithing,	3 35
Geo. H. Wilkinson, labor and supplies,	1 10
J. P. Atkinson, Jr., damage to carriage,	2 25

A. G. Folsom, rent of hall,	$60 00
Isaac Morrill, land damage,	1 00
E. P. Osgood & Co., repairs, etc.,	9 10
S. J. Lamprey, cash paid out,	27 15
L. F. Busiel, pumping water for street,	11 66
D. B. Story, cash paid out,	26 79
George L. Mead, powder and fuse,	17 01
M. R. Marshall, grain for horses,	30 00
O. W. Tibbetts, check book,	2 00
Geo. H. Edwards, lighting St. lights,	17 50
P. C. Smith, cash paid out,	37 38
P. C. Smith, horse hire,	9 00
	$4,628 17

Town Officers.

Geo. H. Tilton, supervisor,	$25 00	
David B. Story, "	20 00	
J. Fred Batchelder, supervisor,	25 00	
F. W. Reeves, services as selectmen,	8 75	
D. B. Story, " "	175 00	
P. C. Smith, " "	226 25	
S. J. Lamprey, " "	175 00	
O. W. Tibbetts, services as treasurer,	75 00	
F. W. Reeves, services as collector of taxes Dis. No. 1,	250 00	
John H. Robinson, services as collector of taxes Dists. 3, 4 and 5,	50 00	
John W. Ashman, services as town clerk,	75 00	
Lydia E. Warner, supt. school com.,	25 00	
Estate of S. H. Lawrence, overseer of the poor,	68 75	
Board of education, services as school com.,	60 00	
Geo. E. Chase, health officer,	30 00	
Elbert Wheeler, auditor,	2 00	
Frank Edgerly, "	2 00	
E. B. Harrington, services as police 2 years,	50 00	
Seth D. Glidden, " " 1 year,	50 00	
James Judkins, " " and cash paid out,	58 00	
		$1,450 75

Special Policemen.

Walter S. Baldwin,	special,	July 4,	$2 00	
Philip Blair,	"	state fair,	10 00	
Wm. J. Busiel,	"	"	8 00	
Luther Dean,	"	1 day at Weirs and state fair,	12 50	
Frank P. Jones,	"	state fair,	5 00	
E. F. Haddo,	"	at Weirs,	8 00	
" "	"	state fair,	9 50	
B. F. Bean,	"	"	5 00	
C. A. Harvell,	"	"	8 00	
J. N. Stevens,	"	"	10 00	
R. S. Bean,	"	at Weirs,	3 50	
C. L. Moon,	"	at state fair,	6 00	
A. G. Whitter,	"	July 4 day and night,	2 50	
				$90 00

Pauper Account.

Town of Laconia in account with Samuel H. Lawrence, Overseer of the Poor, to Feb. 7, 1882:

Cash received from County of Belknap for support of county paupers,	$312 81	
Received of town treasurer,	357 60	
		$670 41
Cash paid to aid county paupers,	$312 81	
support of Mary F. Severence,	110 00	
board of Mrs. Bean,	4 00	
aid to Mrs. C. W. Stevens,	33 07	
aid to Elizabeth D. Rowe,	32 69	
Dr. Nelson, medical aid to G. H. Lamprey,	20 00	
aid to G. H. Lamprey and family,	37 66	
A. G. Hull, rent of J. S. Davis,	21 00	
aid to " "	15 40	
aid to E. G. Dow,	8 34	
aid to Simon Cotton,	5 60	
aid to C. H. Horn and family,	69 84	
		$670 41

SAMUEL H. LAWRENCE, Overseer of Poor.

RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts,		$34,930 14

Disbursements.

State tax,	$3,944 00	
County tax,	5,928 33	
Library tax,	500 00	
Decorating soldiers' graves,	100 00	
Pauper bill, (see overseer's report,)	357 60	
Interest on notes,	192 00	
Notes and interest Dist. No. 4, Gilford,	2,840 33	
School orders,	3,743 05	
Breaking roads,	1,085 36	
Highways and bridges,	4,218 19	
Current expenses,	4,628 17	
" " precinct,	821 71	
Firemen,	1,240 00	
Town officers,	1,450 75	
Special policemen,	90 00	
1,000 feet hose appropriation,	700 00	
Balance in treasury,	3,190 65	
		$34,930 14

O. W. Tibbetts, Treasurer,

Laconia, March 1, 1882.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them carefully cast and properly vouched.

Geo. L. Mead, Wm. F. Knight, } Auditors.

Financial Condition of the Town March 1, 1882.

Liabilities.

Due Mrs. Daniel Glidden, land damage,	$5 00	
Miss Cintha W. Wilcomb, "	31 50	
Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, "	12 50	
on notes at 4 per cent., exempt from taxation,	9,271 42	
on interest to March 1, 1882,	795 64	
		$10,116 06

Notes Outstanding.

				Amount.	Interest.
No. 27,	Mary W. Young,	July 1,	1879,	$100 00	$2 67
28,	Harriet K. Tebbetts,	" 5,	"	375 00	9 83
29,	Rhoda Smith,	" 5,	"	315 00	34 77
30,	Clarinda S. Clark,	" 11,	"	1,628 00	177 20
31,	Sarah J. Shepard,	" 11,	"	850 00	92 62
32,	Nathaniel Edwards,	" 11,	"	1,000 00	25 33
33,	Judith Abbott,	" 11,	"	575 00	38 12
34,	S. C. Robinson,	" 11,	"	579 80	63 17
35,	Martha A. Smith,	" 11,	"	166 12	18 08
36,	Harriet Gale,	" 11,	"	400 00	43 57
38,	Rhoda Smith,	" 15,	"	450 00	49 24
39,	Jona. G. Dow,	" 15,	"	385 50	41 78
40,	Ira Leighton,	" 19,	"	200 00	21 56
41,	T. F. Page,	" 23,	"	100 00	2 40
42,	Clara E. Ames,	Aug. 6,	"	390 00	41 27
44,	Eliza A. Ames,	" 6,	"	432 00	45 74
45,	John Smith,	" 29,	"	500 00	51 60
46,	Wm. F. Clifford,	Sept. 5,	"	325 00	19 52
47,	Mary W. Young,	" 8,	"	300 00	5 70
48,	T. F. Page,	" 15,	"	100 00	1 82
51,	Ella A. Morrison,	Oct. 22,	"	100 00	9 65
				$9,371 42	$795 64

Assets.

F. W. Reeve's tax list, 1881,		$23,977 90	
Interest collected,		30 83	
		$24,008 73	
Less 5 per cent. discount on taxes paid July 1, 1881,	$751 90		
Less 2 per cent. discount Sept. 1, 1881,	45 02		
Less abatements,	197 13		
Paid treasurer,	22,150 00		
		$23,144 08	
			$864 65

John H. Robinson, list 1881,		$2,471 54	
Interest collected,		1 86	
		$2,473 40	
Less 5 per cent. discount on taxes paid July 1, 1881,	$82 82		
Less 2 per cent. discount Sept. 1, 1881,	3 32		
Less abatements,	4 17		
Paid treasurer,	2,302 00		
		$2,392 31	
			$81 09

Schedule of all discounts on file.

Due from A. Thompson, as per last report,	$54 59
57 shares B., C. & M. railroad stock,	570 00
Stable and shed on Water street,	375 00
Land " "	800 00
1 pair of of horses,	500 00
Cart, harnesses, blankets, etc.,	150 00
Stone lifter,	25 00
Drain pipe,	31 30
Cash in hands of treasurer,	3,190 65
	$6,642 28
Liabilities March 1, 1882,	$3,473 78

S. J. Lamprey, P. C. Smith, D. B. Story, } Selectmen of Laconia.

Laconia, March 1, 1882.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Geo. L. Mead, Wm. F. Knight, } Auditors.

Public Library.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Laconia:

The Trustees of the Public Library present the following report:

The Library contains 2,651 volumes, classified as follows:

Juvenile,	375
Fiction,	887
History,	197
Travels and Descriptive,	144
Biography,	129
Miscellaneous and Complete Works,	249
Educational and Scientific,	167
Poetry and Drama,	62
Religious,	109
Reference,	52
Public Documents,	280
	2,651

During the year 207 volumes have been purchased. Sixteen volumes have been donated.

Whole number of cards issued,	1,838
Greatest number of books taken out any day,	336
Average number taken each day,	191
Greatest number out at any time,	633
Average number out,	478

Of these the average each day has been as follows:

Juvenile,	30
Fiction,	117
Historical, Travels and Biography,	18

Miscellaneous and Complete,	13
Educational, Scientific and Religious,	11

A report of the financial condition of the Library is appended.

E. P. Jewell,
John T. Busiel,
D. S. Dinsmoor,
James H. Tilton,
Charles F. Pitman.

Laconia Public Library in Account with D. S. Dinsmoor, Treasurer.

CREDIT.

To cash in treasurer's hands March 1, 1881,	$72 66
from Town,	500 00
received from fines,	49 05
	$621 71

DEBIT.

By paid E. B. Beaman, binding,	$27 90	
Lewis & Sanborn, printing,	9 75	
A. G. Folsom, rent,	100 00	
Truland Bros., printing,	12 50	
Freight on Books,	87	
D. S. Dinsmoor, expenses, etc.,	9 00	
Laconia Gas Light Co., gas,	14 00	
Estes & Lauriet, books,	224 89	
" " paper,	1 50	
E. B. Beaman, binding,	31 80	
J. W. Ashman, librarian,	125 00	
" " expenses,	2 10	
W. L. Melcher & Co., insurance,	20 00	
Cash in treasurer's hands,	42 40	
		$621 71

D. S. Dinsmoor, Treasurer.

LACONIA, March 2, 1882.

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GEO. L. MEAD,
WM. F. KNIGHT, } Auditors.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

—OF THE—

Receipts & Expenditures of Highway Dis. No. 1,

FROM FEB. 18, 1881, TO MARCH 1, 1882.

Recd. from Town treasurer,		$2,670 77
Nellie Welch, for concreting,	$327 75	
Hellen T. Avery, "	16 50	
J. W. Sanborn, "	5 25	
Perley Putman, "	40 00	
H. Whicher, "	8 40	
J. Merrill, Jr., "	6 25	
N. J. Edgerly, "	5 00	
Unitarian Soc'y, "	6 00	
F. W. Chase, "	10 80	
J. Jameson, "	9 95	
Gardner Cook, "	10 25	
F. Mansur, "	2 50	
E. C. Lewis, "	65 00	
B. E. Thurston, "	15 00	
E. F. Beaman, "	23 70	
C. J. Smith, "	6 00	
E. A. Hibbard, "	21 61	
R. Gove, "	2 25	
W. H. Sanborn, "	16 50	
J. C. Moulton, "	99 50	
		$698 21
Stilson Hutchins, premium on highway,		300 00
Mrs. Lovell, for manure,		18 33
S. M. Doe, for tar,		23 59
R. Gove, for street waste,		67 00
J. F. Sanborn, for use of plow,		1 00

Recd. from Geo. H. Everett, for labor and grade,		$3 10
J. Gilbert, for labor and grade,		6 45
		$3,788 45

Paid out as per Vouchers.

Paid discounts on tax list of 1879 and 1880,	$9 89	
L. M. Pike, for tar,	273 50	
Nelson Hartson, for grade,	2 75	
Gardner Cook, "	10 00	
John Edwards, "	22 50	
Blaisdell & Ewell, for board L. M. Pike,	50 43	
Mary Sargent, " "	17 50	
R. Gove, highway tax refunded as per vote,	32 43	
P. C. Smith, for boarding horse while concreting,	36 25	
D. C. Batchelder, for use of plow,	1 00	
Geo. H. Everett, for teams and board of road com.,	11 50	
Geo. A. Leavitt, for straw,	7 20	
		$474 95
Paid Mrs. Wm. Noyes, for labor,	$4 20	
Paul Malholt, "	14 37	
Joe. Prescott, "	10 25	
Fred Bresaw, "	18 12	
Lyman Dippy, "	257 41	
Peter Bellvane, "	6 87	
Joe. Merchant, "	1 87	
Severse Anthony, "	6 87	
John Fracier, "	5 00	
Joe Malholt, "	14 37	
Aaron Connor, "	466 00	
Alex. Campbell, "	80 34	
Demas Gay, "	5 62	
C. W. Baldwin, "	1 75	
Joe. Tatroe, "	131 61	
Luc. Noel, "	114 37	
Lamre Lacoche, "	4 40	

Paid Abram Delile, for	labor,	$4 40
Nelson Campbell,	"	4 05
John Hall,	"	7 51
Lawrence Leaviture,	"	7 51
Geo. Gay,	"	1 25
James Stone,	"	1 25
Cyrele Gignon,	"	7 50
P. O. Niel,	"	1 87
Frank Jervers,	"	44 98
C. B. S. Watson,	"	192 95
Chas. Stone,	"	26 24
Dorrick Goytt,	"	6 87
Nap. Goytt,	"	34 99
Michel Gleason,	"	45 93
Wm. Locke,	"	37 75
Geo. H. Edwards,	"	122 86
L. M. Pike,	"	278 00
Peter Boadttee,	"	15 00
David Dippy,	"	13 12
Fred Rolo,	"	14 37
Wm. Fellows,	"	35 12
D. F. Merrill,	"	117 50
D. L. Chapman,	"	93 19
Frank Loveley,	"	1 87
James Boughton,	"	1 25
Alf. Merchant,	"	21 86
Tim. Foster,	"	3 75
Pat. Scully,	"	114 00
Geo. E. Caverley,	"	64 65
Joe. Lynthen,	"	41 23
Isaac Warde,	"	43 73
John B. Dow,	"	1 25
Phillip Blair,	"	52 00
Geo. W. Clark,	"	1 50
Peter Stone,	"	27 50
Moses Croto,	"	10 63
Joe. Samson,	"	68 10
S. J. Cotton,	"	3 75
C. H. Horn,	"	2 50
W. W. Hobbs,	"	7 50

Paid Nahum Parshley, for	labor,	$16 56	
John Nichols,	"	25 00	
D. G. Burns,	"	69 87	
W. H. Jewett,	"	7 50	
Samuel S. Jewett,	"	13 00	
S. M. Doe,	"	16 50	
J. G. Jewett,	"	5 00	
A. J. Hart & Son,	"	27 75	
J. H. Tilton,	"	40 00	
J. F. H. Watson,	"	4 50	
P. C. Smith,	"	356 25	
			$3,313 50
			$3,781 58
Cash in hands of P. C. Smith, surveyor,			6 87
			$3,788 45

RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts,		$3,788 45
Disbursements.		
Sundry bills, as per report, including highway tax refunded to R. Gove, as per vote,	$442 52 32 43	
Building new streets,	731 58	
Concreting for Mrs. Welch and others, as per report,	698 21	
Concreting for Highway Dist. No. 1,	982 50	
Labor for general repairs, as per vouchers,	901 21	
		$3,788 45

Breaking Roads.

Received from town treasurer,			$374 44
Paid out as per vouchers from Feb. 18, 1881, to March 1, 1882:			
1881.			
March 5,	paid S. J. Cotton,	1 50	
22,	Aaron Connor,	22 00	
22,	A. Campbell,	8 75	
23,	C. B. S. Watson,	8 62	
23,	J. C. Ladd,	5 00	
24,	John Nichols,	2 40	

March 31,	paid Joe Tatroe,	$1 05	
31,	P. C. Smith, bill,	22 00	
1882.			
March 1,	paid Aaron Connor,	100 00	
	Geo. H. Edwards,	19 20	
	F. B. Jenness,	2 50	
	S. F. Chattle,	75	
	John H. Pickering,	1 27	
	A. M. Thyng,	13 80	
	J. C. Ladd,	9 50	
	A. L. Morrison,	7 00	
	F. P. Stewart,	15 50	
	Lyman Dippy,	9 75	
	John Nichols,	11 70	
	C. B. S. Watson,	36 65	
	L. S. Perley,	30 50	
	P. C. Smith,	45 00	
			$374 44

LACONIA, March 2, 1882.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. L. MEAD, } Auditors.
WM. F. KNIGHT, }

List of tools owned by highway district No. 1, March 1, 1882:

1 two horse sled,	9 large stone drills,
1 iron roller,	6 small stone drills,
4 snow scrapers,	1 pair pruning shears,
1 harrow,	4 grub hoes,
1 stone drag,	4 picks,
4 chains,	1 plow,
15 steel shovels,	1 steel bar,
3 steel rakes,	5 stone hammers,
1 ice crusher,	2 dirt scrapers,
3 gravel screens,	2 wheelbarrows,
1 bush scythe,	1 concrete roller,
1 four tined fork,	1 concrete heater,

3 steel hoes.

Stock ready for future use:

190 loads stone, grade, etc.,	$142 50
75 feet covering stone,	20 00
9 sewer caps,	8 00

In submitting the report of highway district No. 1 to the tax-payers of the town, I desire to express thanks for their kindness and indulgence as generally manifested since my connection with the affairs of the town, and especially my connection with the district as superintendent of streets. The district embraces about twenty-three miles of road-way, and about the same amount of side-walk. In submitting this report I feel at liberty to make some suggestions, and as I am not to be a candidate for re-election, and do not expect to remain in town, I think I can make the suggestions without being charged with selfish motives.

I would first recommend that the town instruct the selectmen to procure a stone-crusher. From the best information I can obtain there is no other way the town can procure suitable grade for our main streets as cheap and as durable as by crushed stone. I observe by reports from Street Commissioners and Street Superintendents (from all the large cities in this country) that they recommend for streets where the traffic is similar to ours, Macadam, and where the traffic is heavy, as on the commercial streets in the large cities, stone block paving. It is a fact well settled in the minds of thinking men that for our main streets something should be done to make the surface hard and free from mud. How can this be done as cheaply and as durable in any other way as it can by removing a portion of the mud and substituting crushed stone? The question has been asked "Is the piece of road already macadamized on Main street, a success?" I answer, yes. The only mud that is upon that section is drawn there by vehicles passing through the muddy street next to the macadamized portion, and depositing its mud on the hard surface of the macadamized portion. In my judgment it only requires the macadamization of the remaining portion of Main street, say from Lake to Pleasant streets, to satisfy the most skeptical.

I think the remaining portion can be macadamized (with the aid of a stone crusher) much less per yard than that which has already been done. I believe the dirt period in repairing our principal streets should pass away from Laconia, and something more sub-

stantial take its place. I also think the selectmen should buy for the use of the town one of Pennock's patent road machines, as much more road can be made and repaired with its aid for the same amount of money than can be made and repaired in the ordinary way.

For the past three years there has been laid, a large quantity of tile pipe, and I have great faith in it if properly laid, and frequent sewer caps connected therewith, so as to take away the surface water.

I do not wish to hamper my successor with any suggestions as to where such pipe should first be laid, as I trust his own judgment will be his best guide.

A large quantity of concrete sidewalk has been laid the past year, and I only regret that I have not been able to do more in this direction, as I consider it money well invested if properly laid on a good foundation. I should have accomplished more in concreting and macadamizing Main street the past year, but it will be remembered that we had a heavy freshet in July which caused heavy additional repairs to roads which had already been repaired, and owing to a lack of time, money and tar, I was obliged to abandon concreting for the season. However, if as much concrete sidewalk is laid the coming season as was laid last season, in one year Laconia can justly be proud of her concrete side-walks; and in this, as in the matter of laying tile pipe, I leave it to the better judgment of my successor to determine where it is first and most needed.

I can congratulate the district upon the excellent condition of its highways, but would recommend an increase instead of a decrease in the appropriation for repairs on highways and bridges, as some of the small districts in the back parts of the town do not have sufficient with the present appropriation to keep their roads in passable condition.

Hoping that my successor will receive the same kind and earnest support at the hands of his fellow citizens that I have received for the past three years, and assuring him that he will always have my best wishes and kindly sympathy, I close this report with thanks to my fellow townsmen for past favors.

Respectfully submitted,

P. C. Smith, Supt. of Streets.

Report of School Committee.

I herewith submit the report of the schools in district No. 1 for the year ending March 1, 1882, as made by the Board of Education:

To the School Committee of the town of Laconia:

The Board of Education for School District No. 1 herewith submit their seventh annual report:

The number of schools and course of studies during the spring term, were the same as last year, but at the close of this term, it was evident from the crowded condition of the lower grades of schools, on the south side, that the time had come when necessity demanded an additional school-room, to correspond with the first primary on the north side. A meeting of the district was therefore called, and it was decided to elevate the roof of the south brick school-house and put on an additional story, thereby making two new rooms, and to furnish one for present use; also to make some repairs at the south and north school-houses.

During the summer vacation, while the addition and repairs were being made, the course of studies was revised, the better to meet the present condition of our schools. This work was principally done by Miss Mary E. Rowe, Principal of our schools. The Fall term, except at the south brick, commenced on the fifth of September; those, on account of the time required to complete the building, did not commence till the third of October, and continued eight weeks, leaving two weeks in the primary schools and three in the Intermediate to be made up in the future. Miss Maxfield made up the time in her school at the close of the winter term. Miss Nelson and Miss Goodspeed kept the regular length of their terms, leaving three weeks in the Intermediate, and two in the second Primary still to be made up.

There has been no change of teachers on the north side, nor at the Academy, during the year. Miss Lizzie A. Nelson was engaged to teach the south second Primary. Miss Maxfield taking the first Primary, has continued through the year. Miss Freese taught the spring and fall terms at the south Intermediate, resigning at

the close of the latter. At the commencement of the winter term Miss Nelson was promoted to the place of Miss Freese, and Miss Florence Goodspeed followed her in the second primary. Miss Rowe has been retained during the school year as Principal, but at her request has been relieved of a part of her former labors. She has had the general supervision of all the schools, and her labors in this direction have been crowned with marked success, and we believe the money paid her has been well earned by her, and profitably expended by the Board.

Our schools as a whole have shown a good degree of proficiency, a step in advance of preceeding years, though there is still room for improvement, especially in some of the schools, in the matter of discipline. We have noticed that in those schools where the teachers have readily adopted the methods and suggestions of the Principal, and to use a homely expression, where they have "pulled together" the best work has been accomplished.

But there are others who have an important work to do, aside from Principal and teachers, without which, that success desired cannot be attained.

Parents have a part to perform; much of the promptness and regularity of attendance, as well as encouragement in well-doing, depends upon them. They should see to it, therefore, that their children are at school every day, and in season, that at the close of the term they may have the satisfaction of knowing that their names will appear on the roll of honor. This of itself may seem but of little consequence, but they should consider that promptness generally insures success.

And the pupils, the all important factor in our schools, as it is for them that we are all at work, should manifest an interest, and willingness on their part, to do all they can for themselves, for without this, all the time, patience, labor, and money expended, will be of no avail, as no teacher, however good and faithful, and no parent, however interested and anxious, can accomplish but little, unless the pupils have a desire and disposition to learn, and are willing to give their whole attention to their studies. We have noticed scholars in some of our schools who, judging from their appearance, think that if they can do something to cause a disturbance without being detected by the teacher, and therefore escape the punishment they deserve, they have accomplished a worthy object, and gained an important point. Now this is all

wrong, and shows a lack of appreciation on their part of the golden opportunities they enjoy, and should make the most of; and the time will come when they will see that the point they supposed they had gained, was worse than lost. They should realize that it is a mark against them, and made too by themselves, and one that will grow brighter with their growth, unless they make an effort to erase it. In the system of graded schools, as in almost anything else, we meet with difficulties, and hear some complaints because there are scholars in two classes at the same time; now there is no immediate and at the same time just way out of this difficulty. It would be unjust to put scholars that rank with the A class in one or two studies back into the B or C class altogether, because in some one study their rank is with that class, neither would it be right to ask the A class to wait for them to come up, but there is a gradual way out of the dilemma. Those who are behind in one study, must make an extra effort, and by the aid of parents, and teachers, try to overtake those in advance. It certainly cannot be done by sitting down with folded hands by the way side. It is not for the interest of our schools that scholars be advanced from one school to another until they are prepared for the advance. This has sometimes been done in times past, partly from necessity, but sometimes by the unworthy practice of deception on the part of the teacher, by drilling scholars on a set of selected questions, and thereby deceiving the Board of Education, and securing premature promotions, but we hope and trust that that day has past, and that with faithful teachers, assisted by a competent Principal, thoroughly conversant with the standing of all our schools, it may never return.

The whole number of different scholars attending school in the public schools of the district two weeks or more during the year was 458, of whom 227 were boys and 231 were girls. Of those reported, 29 were under six years of age, and 33 were over 16. The whole number of children in the district between 5 and 15 years old, as enumerated by the selectmen last April was 558, of whom 291 were boys and 267 were girls.

ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 4, 1882.

High School.—Lillie A. Busiel.

North Grammar.—Ianthia M. Barnum, Lola M. Barnum, Mamie

E. Davis, Stella L. Dixon, Isabel Dixon, Marie E. Jewett, Addie E. Lovett, Nettie J. Piper, Alice M. Vaughan.

South Grammar.—Annie J. Swain.

North Intermediate.—George Dow, Charles W. Frye, Carrie F. Piper.

South Intermediate.—Lucie Seaverns.

North 1st Primary.—Georgia A. Piper.

South 1st Primary.—Fred Corliss.

North 2d Primary.—Hermon Parshley, Guy Tilton.

CHARLES F. STONE, GEO. L. MEAD, N. L. TRUE, JOHN G. JEWETT, D. B. NELSON, JOHN W. ASHMAN.	Board of Education.

I also submit the following report with statistical table annexed, furnishing the information required by law in regard to the schools. In regard to the schools in the north part of the town it will be but justice to say they were never better conducted. Your committee would respectfully urge those most interested to visit the schools more frequently, not only at the close but during the term. There has been more interest manifested in this respect than formerly, but those who have the most fault to find are those who never show themselves inside the school-room, but take the report of some scholar for evidence. This is not as it should be. In district No. 3, Miss Bennett taught through the year. The roll of Honor shows the school has been well attended. Perfect harmony prevailed through the year and at the close of the term showed good advancement in all the studies.

Mrs. Morrison taught in district No. 4, through the year. Mrs. Morrison is a teacher of successful appearance, and this school has had a thorough and careful drill, and has made satisfactory improvement in all branches. Marked attention has been paid to reading, writing and history.

School in district No. 5 was under the instruction of Miss Blaisdell, for the summer, and made fair improvement. This school for the summer months is small. The government was mild and gentle. The teacher won the love of the scholars and labored hard for the welfare of the school. For the winter, Miss Trafton had

the care of the school. At this term the larger class of scholars were present, and different discipline was required and enforced by Miss Trafton, which at first threatened to create some disturbance, mostly from outside influence, however. The term closed with credit to teacher and pupils. The whole number of children between the ages of 5 and 15 years, in the town, as enumerated by the selectmen, last April, were 615, of whom 318 were boys, and 297 girls.

LYDIA E. WARNER, School Com.

Laconia, March 1, 1882.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

GRADED SCHOOLS.—DISTRICT NO. 1.

Term	Grade of School.	Name of Teacher.	Wages per month.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole number of pupils.	Average attendance.	No. of pupils attending to the following studies. Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal Music.	Higher Branches.*
Spring	High,	Mary Ella Rowe,	$60	12	36	30	8	8	21	25	..	8	8	25	..	16	28
		Josephine A. Robinson,	40														
	North Grammar,	Julia M. Robinson,	40	12	25	22	25	25	25	25	..	25	25	25	25	..	..
	South Grammar,	Walter S. Peaslee,	40	11	46	38	46	46	46	46	28	46	18	46	..	..	..
	No. Intermediate,	Hattie H. Philbrick,	36	11	53	48	53	53	53	53	53	53	14	..	14	..	..
	So. Intermediate,	Alice E. Freese,	36	11	49	44	49	49	49	49	49	..	..	..	49	..	49
	No. 1st Primary,	Hattie F. Greeley,	36	10	41	31	41	41	41	41	22	..	..	..	41	..	..
	No. 2d Primary,	Sarah D. Knowlton,	36	10	58	41	58	58	58	58	..	..	..	..	..	58	..
	South Primary,	M. Josephine Maxfield,	36	10	70	55	70	70	32	32	..	..	..	..	..	70	..
Fall	High,	Mary Ella Rowe,	$40	11	31	27	17	17	..	26	..	17	..	31	..	..	..
		Josephine A Robinson,	48														
	North Grammar,	Julia M. Robinson,	40	11	43	39	43	43	43	43	30	28	13	28	43	..	..
	South Grammar.	Walter S. Peaslee,	40	11	36	28	36	36	36	36	22	35	14	36	..	..	..
	No. Intermediate,	Hattie H. Philbrick,	36	11	45	40	45	45	45	45	45	21	..	45	..	..	..
	So. Intermediate,	Alice E. Freese,	36	8	46	41	46	46	46	46	46	46	..	46	..	46	..
	No. 1st Primary,	Hattie F. Greeley,	36	10	42	34	42	42	42	42	18	..	..	..	..	..	..
	So. 1st Primary,	M. Josephine Maxfield,	36	8	40	35	40	40	40	40	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
	No. 2d Primary,	Sarah D. Knowlton,	36	10	39	31	39	39	39	39	..	..	..	..	..	39	..
	So. 2d Primary,	Lizzie A. Nelson,	36	8	44	39	44	44	20	20	..	..	..	..	..	44	..
Winter	High,	Mary Ella Rowe,	$40	13	27	24	..	..	12	25	..	16	..	27	..	..	..
		Josephine A. Robinson,	48														
	North Grammar,	Julia M. Robinson,	40	11	38	34	38	38	38	38	27	25	11	25	38	..	..
	South Grammar,	Walter S. Peaslee,	40	11	41	35	41	41	41	41	22	41	19	41	..	..	..
	No. Intermediate,	Hattie H. Philbrick,	36	11	49	42	49	49	49	49	49	21	..	49	..	..	..
	So. Intermediate,	Lizzie A. Nelson,	36	11	50	44	50	50	50	50	50	32	..	32	..	..	..
	No. 1st Primary,	Hattie F. Greeley,	36	10	42	34	42	42	42	42	16	..	..	..	..	..	..
	So. 1st Primary,	M. Josephine Maxfield,	36	12	40	34	40	40	40	40	40	4	..	..	..	40	..
	No. 2d Primary,	Sarah D. Knowlton,	36	10	41	31	41	41	41	41	..	..	..	..	..	41	..
	So. 2d Primary,	Florence I. Goodspeed,	36	10	47	30	47	47	47	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

Dist.	Term.	Name of Teacher.														
3	Summer,	Mary E. Bennett,	$32	..	23	20	23	23	13	17	10	7	2	..	..	..
	Fall,	Mary E. Bennett,	30	..	20	17	20	20	10	14	12	5	..	..	..	1
	Winter,	Mary E. Bennett,	30	..	20	15	20	20	7	18	11	10	..	..	..	3
4	Summer,	Elisa D. Morrison,	28	..	25	26	25	25	16	20	11	5	3	..	..	..
	Fall,	Elisa D. Morrison,	28	..	24	19	23	23	16	19	8	4	4	..	..	1
5	Summer,	S. Ida Blaisdell,	18	..	14	12	14	10	6	9	9	2	1	6	..	..
	Fall,	S. Ida Blaisdell,	20	..	15	11	15	11	6	13	11	8	1	..	..	..
	Winter,	Annie E. Trafton,	30	..	22	14	22	22	9	20	12	8	1	9	..	..

* In the High School, at different terms, those studying the higher branches were as follows: Latin, 5; French, 2; Physiology, 25; Book-Keeping, 33; Algebra, 32; Geometry, 9; Philosophy, 27; Botany and Geology, 2 each; Natural History, 11.

High School	44
No Grammar	110
So do	110
No Intermediate	90
So do	90
No 1st Primary	90
" 2d do	90
So 1st do	90
" 2d do	90
Principal	120
Cost of one tenure as now constituted	1042

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